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METHOD AND HOLOGRAM RECORDING AND REPRODUCING
APPARATUS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION AND
ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 20, 2003, please consider the following:

REMARKS

In response to the Examiner's Election of Species Requirement, Applicant hereby elects the species of Species II (Figures 3-7) on which at least claims 17-25 and 32-35 are readable, without traverse. Claims 1-7, 26, 28, and 31 are believed generic to all species. Applicant reserves the opportunity to file a Divisional Application for the non-elected species later.

Early, favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

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A conditional petition is made for any extension of time which may become necessary. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees for such extension and to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

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